NAKAMA STAFF N CRACK

Episode 1 : Translators wanted

secrets within #nstaff

<kikiireru>lets whore it out, with a request message.
<kikiireru> @_@
<kikiireru>haka i need your witty humor, something to get translators to join us
<kikiireru> >.<
<hakanai-[work]> oooh. *ponders*
<hakanai-[work]> a haiku: a stable of bisb / for those Japanese fluent / nakama owns all okay kidding...
<hakanai-[work]> errr... the wit fails me today. o.o
* kikiireru kicks
<kikiireru>: for some reason ppl are scared of nakama
<hakanai-[work]> hehe. i suppose it's because you've been around forever. and take no shit.
<hakanai-[work]> but who wants shit anyway.
<hakanai-[work]> wanted: japanese translators who take no shit.
<hakanai-[work]> i wonder if that can be written in strange kanji that can have a totally different meaning.
<Artemis> hmmm... no shit? *thinks*

求：くだらない事を堪えきれない日本語翻訳者 or 求：くそも何もない日本語翻訳者

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Up and coming designer, Rio Nagato has lived with the guilt of letting a friend fall off a balcony when he was young. Then one day, he meets the young owner of a penthouse that he designed. Kenchiro Nagato is his name and he brings Rio to an observatory against his will. There the astrophobic Rio begins to tell the truth about what happened 17 years ago, a truth no else has heard before. Here we present the sensitive love romance, "The Spiral Tower", an extra, re edited [illegible]. The others are all stylish stories of love, written by Two Boxed and gathered for you in one great anthology!

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熱情プレゼンス
Prosecutor
Bunny
Defense Attorney
Pet Owner
Company President
Japanese Cuisine Chef
Architecture Designer
Hijiri (32)
Takaaki (32)
Kenchiro (27)
Rio (27)
Edward (30)

Committee Chairman of the committee that oversees students not continuing onto University
President of the Volleyball Club
Dormitory Dean
Student President
Ace volleyball player
Older brother
Younger brother
Member of the Art Club
Twins
Ion (Year3)
Kan (Year2)
Sora (Year3)
↑??
Kai (Year3)
Taki (Year3)

THE DEFENDANT PLEADS NOT GUILTY!
A PROSECUTOR'S ROLE IS TO QUESTION, ATTACK AND EXPOSE...
AND THE ATTORNEY'S ROLE TO RESPOND AND DEFEND...
IT'S IN THIS BATTLEFIELD...THAT WE BECOME MUTUAL ENEMIES OF EACH OTHER.

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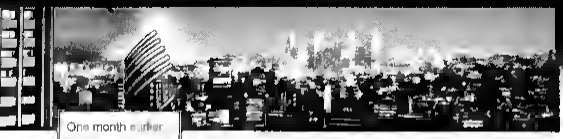
I ALREADY HAVE THE TRUMP CARD.
IF I PLAY THIS CARD, THERE'S NO DOUBT THE DEFENDANT WILL BE FOUND GUILTY.
IT WILL PROBABLY BE A DEFEAT FOR THE ATTORNEY.

ALL HIS HARD WORK WILL BE FOR NOTHING.


One month earlier

SIGH...

AUGH
CLACK

!
BLING
HIJIKI, WELCOME BACK!
OH?
DID I WAKE YOU TAKAAKI?
sorry.
UH UH... I'M HOME...
COME ON
YOU'RE NOT LOOKING SO WELL...
you got a cold?
NOT REALLY. I WAS WAITING
shut

STILL AS BAD AS EVER I SEE
Even if I teach you it's no use
CRUNCH
SURE
OH I HAVE SOME FOOD
You wanna eat?
YEAH, YEAH THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY
HEY WHAT ABOUT DINNER?
AFTER I CHANGE
SO I DON'T TAKE HOUSE-WORK SO SERIOUSLY
A RABBIT'S JOB IS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF
CHUCKLE
BECAUSE I'M 'A WOLF AT WORK, BUT A RABBIT AT HOME', RIGHT?
MAYBE
Shoichi

SKIPPING MEALS ISN'T A GOOD IDEA...
YOU'LL LOSE THE TRIAL
sweat...
THAT'S NOT TRUE
YOU'RE NOT PLANNING ON EATING AT ALL ARE YOU?
gasp

Grrrrrrrrrr
(tummy)
I'll give you a cigarette.
pet owner
So pay attention, pay attention to me.
IF A RABBIT GETS LONELY IT'LL DIE
IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO EAT MY FOOD AT LEAST DON'T NEGLECT ME
HEY! YOU'LL WRINKLE MY CLOTHES
HMMM... SOMEHOW, I THINK YOU'RE LYING
But I like that about you
YOU'RE AN IDIOT!

IT'LL BE FINE! I CAN'T LOSE NO MATTER THE PRICE .
I TOOK OVER THIS CASE FROM MY TEACHER, SO IT'S AN IMPORTANT CASE.
Hann ik back
WHEN YOU SAY 'TEACHER' DO YOU MEAN MR KAJI?
He's still smoking!
YEAH
HE WAS HOSPITALIZED TWO DAYS AGO. SO THE TRIAL HE WAS WORKING ON HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO ME
SOMEHOW HIJIRI DOESN'T SEEM LIKE HIMSELF...
I ALSO OWE HIM A DEBT FROM WHEN I STARTED MY OWN PRACTICE I'M A DEFENSE ATTORNEY SO IT'S A GOOD OPPORTUNITY...
THE SITUATION IS A BIT OF A PUZZLE THOUGH
HMPH
Stude

HEY!
Takaaki!
BUT IF YOU NEGLECT ME I'LL DIE
YEAH, YEAH
AND RECENTLY, YOU'RE ALWAYS HOME LATE
I DON'T WORK REGULAR HOURS LIKE A PUBLIC PROSECUTOR FOR THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY.
Having your own practice is hard work
WELL, I'M GOOD AT MANAGING THINGS SO I'M ALWAYS HOME ON TIME.
SO YOU SAY, BUNNY
really
nn
unh
unh
hmm

aah
ooh
SUCK
ha
HIJIRI
GRIP
TAKAAKI, PUT OUT THE CIGARETTE AND COME HERE
think
♪
♪
♪
SQUISH
YES SIR!

Public Housing
Shuffle
I GOT HIM IN THE MOOD BUT
HE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE HIS NOTES YESTERDAY
WELL HE REALLY GOT INTO IT EVEN WITHOUT EATING ANYTHING
I DID TOO IT'D BEEN SUCH A LONG TIME AND...
Shuffle
Shuffle
WAIT, WAIT! WHAT AM I DOING THINKING ABOUT THAT IN THE MIDDLE OF WORK?!
THE NAME'S KAZUKUNI"?
That's an unusual family name. Hm
OH I KNOW HIM.
HE'S A SMOOTH TALKER AND HE'S MOVING UP FAST...
PROSECUTOR SHIZUYA! HERE'S YOUR NEXT CASE!
KAZUKUNI ISN'T THAT HIJIRI'S SURNAME?
Here you go
195cm
SMACK
YOUR OPPONENT IS A YOUNG CAPABLE LAWYER - REALLY POPULAR WITH THE LADIES! HE'LL BE A GOOD MATCH FOR YOU PROSECUTOR
!

CAN SOMEONE
I HAVE 5 OTHER CASES I'M CLOSE TO FINISHING
FLIP
WELL
UH
.....
I'm going to the court house!
BEEEEP
BEEEEP
SOMEONE ELSE
I'm writing a report.
Oh. There's an error.
IF YOU WANT TO WIN YOU'LL BE WORKING OVERTIME FROM HERE ON OUT, PROSECUTOR!
SMACK
SMACK
THAT HURTS MR. HARAGUCHI
ha ha ha ha ha ha
I'M JUST GIVING YOU MORAL SUPPORT!
Good luck! You work hard!
.....

EVEN IF YOU ONLY COUNT THE CRIMINAL TRIALS THAT HAPPEN IN TOKYO IN A MONTH, IT NEVER DROPS BELOW 5 000
GOD, SOMEONE GIVE ME A BREAK...

THIS CAN'T BE REAL...
TO THINK THAT I'LL BE COMPETING AGAINST HIM

tsssss
UNLOCK
shame
!
!?
OH, WELCOME HOME TAKAAKI
HE HEY
I'M SORRY I HAVEN'T MADE DINNER YET
I THINK I'M JUST GOING TO GO TO BED IS THAT ALL RIGHT?
THAT'S OK
BUT ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I DON'T REALLY MIND...

WANT SOMETHING TO DRINK?
THAT'S OK...
I'M FINE FOR TODAY
YOU GONNA TAKE A BATH?
I'LL GET YOUR CLOTHES
SORRY ABOUT EVERYTHING
SIGH
I SAID IT WAS FINE
AND FOR NEGLECTING YOU
ABOUT THE HOUSEWORK

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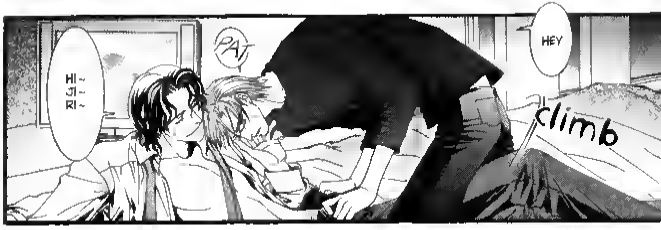
THERE ARE 2 SUSPICIOUS AREAS IN THE INVESTIGATION THAT WE RE-EXAMINED THEY WERE POINTED OUT BY THE PROSECUTOR A FEW DAYS AGO
WE WERE DEAD ON OUR FEET AND WASTED SOME TIME
BUT THANKS TO THAT SOME NEW EVIDENCE CAME TO LIGHT
STILL, IT'S PROBABLY CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
WE ALREADY HAVE THE EVIDENCE AND WE'VE EVEN ARRANGED TO HAVE A WITNESS GIVE TESTIMONY
I COLLECTED ALL THE POINTS THAT CHANGED SINCE WE WERE LAST HERE
THIS IS THE FILE FOR THE NEW EVIDENCE
MY STRATEGY DEPENDS ON BEING ABLE TO SHOW THAT THE EVIDENCE PROVES HIS GUILT

SHIZUYA?
WE CAN FINALLY WIN THIS!
IF YOU PRESENT THIS EVIDENCE HE'LL DEFINITELY BE FOUND GUILTY, BEYOND A DOUBT
NOW THE ODDS ARE AGAINST HIM...
WE CERTAINLY HAVE THE EVIDENCE
YES! LET'S FINISH THIS!
RIGHT THEN LET'S GET A DEFINITE SCHEDULE
CREAK

CNN
Maryland contends that as
control of the Potomac se
water and construction on
water from the river withou
Maryland regulators, initially
judge later ordered that th
can draw. The pipe went in
slide
CLICK
CLICK
Jurisdiction on grounds
Corps (lawmakers) imposed
stipulations on the amount
MMM
I'LL EAT AFTER I CHANGE
It's been a while since I ate
THANKS!
I MADE DINNER.
GOOD-NIGHT!
GOOD
YOU SHOULD GO TO BED.
You look just like a raccoon with Mean circles.

I THINK THIS WILL BE BETTER THAN SLEEPING RIGHT NOW
GRAB
!
WELL NOW, YOU CERTAINLY HAVE A LOT OF ENERGY, HIJIRI
RABBIT DISHES ARE MY SPECIALTY
DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
A weak trough of low pressure combined with some tropical found on radar over the Ou to five sections of the Mid
I DIDN'T KNOW
GRAB
GRAB
.....
♪
The western section of the country saw mainly quiet we with a few exceptions inclu over 48 states on Thursda
CLICK


HEY
climb
PAT
HI~I~RI~

YOU'RE BEING AWFULLY BOLD I'M GLAD
I WONDER IF IT WILL SNOW TOMMORROW
YOU DON'T WANT TO?
THAT'S NOT IT
TAP

IT'S VERY VERY WELCOME
GRIP
MM
TWITCH

HIJIRI'S NOT HIMSELF—
THIS IS NOT THE HIJIRI
WHO'S WORRIED ABOUT
COMPETING AGAINST ME...
aa
ah
drip
drip
ah
hn
rub
UNUSL
aah
haaa
rub
Hijiri
unh
ahh
UNUSL
ah
aaa!
GRIP

Gamera lighter

CLICK
AH. AND THEN THE NEWS WILL REPORT IT AS SOMETHING LIKE PROSECUTOR MISCONDUCT
HOLDING A CIGARETTE IN YOUR MOUTH WILL MAKE YOU A CRIMINAL
WELL, THEY'LL MAKE SOMETHING LIKE AN ANTI-SMOKING LAW BEFORE THAT HAPPENS
I'LL BE DONE IN BY CIGARETTES BEFORE ANYONE ELSE GETS ME
THAT WON'T WORK I'M A SMOKER TOO SO BEFORE I DEFEND YOU I'LL HAVE TO BECOME BUDDY-BUDDY WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT
WELL THAT'S OK
IF IT HAPPENS YOU'LL DEFEND ME. RIGHT?
ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT COMPETING AGAINST ME IN COURT?
YEAH.
YOU'RE TIRED, AREN'T YOU, HIJIRI?

OH, COME ON!
YOU'VE BEEN PREPARING FOR THIS EVER SINCE YOU DECIDED TO BECOME A LAWYER
UH
THAT'S NOT...
MAYBE YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S WORRIED?
IS HE RIGHT?
LET'S MAKE A BET
IF I DON'T COMPLETELY PROVE MY CASE IN TOMMORROW'S TRIAL
I THINK I'LL THROW IN MY BADGE
HUH?

IT'S BEEN A YEAR SINCE I OPENED MY OWN PRACTICE
THINGS HAVEN'T BEEN GOING SO WELL LATELY...
I'VE MADE YOU DO ALL THE WORK, I CAN'T EVEN DO ANY HOUSEWORK, AND WHAT'S MORE, I'M NOT EVEN TAKING CARE OF MYSELF
YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB!
YOU SETTLED LAST WEEK'S CIVIL CASE JUST FINE!
IF I CAN'T GIVE BODY AND SOUL TO MY JOB I JUST CAN'T DO IT...
I CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS
I CAN'T ALLOW MYSELF TO BE THIS DESPICABLE...
HEY, TAKAAKI
HIJIRI...

QUIT BEING A LAWYER
WILL YOU
SECOND MY WAGER?

THAT'S A DIFFICULT QUESTION.

YOU KNOW
I'LL LOVE YOU REGARDLESS IF YOU ARE OR NOT.
RIGHT THEN, YOU WERE AT YOUR OWN HOUSE WHEN THE CRIME OCCURED?
I—
I HAVE THE TRUMP CARD THAT WILL PROVE HIM GUILTY
THAT'S CORRECT.
AND YOU'RE QUITE SURE ABOUT THAT?
THE TRUTH SHOULD BE REVEALED... THE CRIME JUSTLY EXPOSED... THERE'S NO ROOM FOR CONSIDERATION HERE.
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK

BUT IF I PLAY THIS CARD HE'LL BE FORCED TO QUIT
YOUR OPPONENT HAS REALLY DONE WELL SO FAR
HE'S AS CAPABLE AS THE RUMORS SAY HE IS
YEAH IT SEEMS SO
THAT IS ALL
COUNSELOR, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD?
NO, I DO NOT
ALL RIGHT THEN, IF THE WITNESS WILL RETURN TO HIS SEAT

EITHER WAY... THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I CAN DO
PRO-SECUTOR, PLEASE BEGIN YOUR CROSS EXAMINATION.
JUMP
<SFX TSSS>
AH!

IN THE END...HIJIRI DIDN'T PROVE HIS C'SE... THE DEFEND'NT W'S FOUND GUILTY
<SFX:TOSS>
Ah
ooh
unh
ooh
"A TOTAL DEFEAT, HUH?"
hnn
nnh
AND THEN HIJIRI

I LOVED YOU BEFORE YOU EVER BECAME A LAWYER
IT'S ALL RIGHT
I'M SORRY.

SOMEWHERE IN MY HEART I FEEL LONELY... BUT
IF HIRIJI IS REALLY DETERMINED TO LEAVE HIS CAREER AS A LAWYER BEHIND...
...ooh
um
unh
haa
haa
uh!
Taka aki
unh
SUCK
um
aah
ahh
haa
THRUST

ah
uh
uh
ah
BECAUSE I LOVE EVERY PART OF HIM...
ah
Ah! Takaaki!
uh
ahh

RUFFLE RUFFLE
MAYBE HAWAII, TURKEY OR NEW ZEALAND ...THEY ALL LOOK SO GLAMOROUS
LET'S TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY AND GO TRAVELING! I GET A PAID VACATION.
HEY HIJIRI!
ALL CLEAN
BUT I'LL DEFINITELY REGRET IT IF I JUST QUIT AFTER LOSING TO THE BUNNY PROSECUTOR
NOT ONLY THAT
TO JUST GIVE UP HALFWAY EVEN THOUGH I'VE WORKED HARD SO FAR. AND AFTER HAVING WASTED MOST OF MY CAREFREE STUDENT DAYS STUDYING TO PASS THE EXAMS?
Uh, what? Hy-?
HUH?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I'M NOT QUITTING
AND TO HAVE THAT BUNNY PROVIDE FOR ME FROM HERE ON OUT? ...IT'S A MATTER OF PRIDE TOO
EH?
EH?
EH?

AND MAYBE IT'S ALL RIGHT TO LOSE BADLY, EVEN THOUGH I REALLY STRUGGLED TO WIN
Chen Nan
!!
IT'S SHAMEFUL TO NOT FOLLOW THROUGH WITH A WAGER, EVEN THOUGH I WAS THE ONE WHO MADE IT...
BUT TO GIVE UP EVERYTHING NOW WOULD BE EVEN MORE SHAMEFUL... AND NOT LIKE ME AT ALL
Don't you think?
SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS
THAT YOU'RE NOT QUITTING?
THIS KIND OF WORK ISN'T SO EASY TO GIVE UP...
AND

I DON'T MEAN TO LOSE EITHER.
HE'S STILL MY HIJIRI
Sa...satisfying!
I WON'T LOSE NEXT TIME
NOW THAT I KNOW HOW SATISFYING IT IS TO SPAR WITH YOU AT WORK TOO... I DEFINITELY CAN'T QUIT
AT WORK OR AT HOME...
CAUSE YOU SEE, I'M A WOLF ON THE JOB!
ha ha! You're an idiot!
...I LOVE EVERY PART OF HIM.
LV style ✝ END

Hijiri and Takaaki at the same seminar

CHEEEERS!
Asswipes Party
Hijiri
RATTLE
RATTLE
I agree.
There's a lot of people ignoring the misdemeanors.
There's been a lot of trouble with internet-based crimes Lately...
How've you been Lately?
Well, my client.
The defense is hard too.
You still have a gold pin Lately, huh.
Internet laws.
Sorry I'm late.
Hey! It's been a while!
I can be in the group too. ♪
double map
Prosecutor
Defendant
attorney
Even though it's a seminar open to all ambitious lawyers, he's the only prosecutor here so..
THROW
GET OUT!!! YOU TRAITOR!!
Enemy to all attorneys
Counsel
There's no one to blame but yourself, Takaaki.
Break through low priced salaries!
attorney
A lawyer capable of handling civil cases, criminal cases and anything else. He does any work asked of him perfectly, and is good at tying up loose ends. A little further in his future he'll become a house counselor for the Chounen Group.

"Prosecutors and Defense Attorneys are mutual enemies at work, but they all started out together"

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mm
mmph!
aah!
DON'T BE TOO LOUD SORA
nhh...
BUT I CAN'T
Tick

slurp
suck
SOMEONE MIGHT COME.
THIS ISN'T THE DORM, REMEMBER?
Y-YEAH, BUT...
haa!
MAYBE SO BUT WE ARE SURROUNDED BY THE ENEMY HERE.
EVEN THE WALLS OF THE DORM ARE THIN.
haa
IT DOESN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE WHERE WE ARE, KAI
hm!

clatter
!
I THINK SOMEONE SAW US
OH NO! WHAT DO WE DO?
JUST NOW, WASN'T THAT-
YES IT WAS

WE LICK EACH OTHER'S WOUNDS
BUT IF WE CAN FIND NO OTHER WAY TO PROTECT EACH OTHER THAN THIS ACT. THEN ...
...WE SHOULD BE FORGIVEN FOR THAT
...RIO
nine lives
ナインライヴズ

Student Council Room
HEY TAK! WE WERE CAUGHT KISSING YESTERDAY
BEHIND THE SCHOOL
WE WERE LOOKING FOR A PLACE WHERE NO ONE COMES
Haven't I told you guys to quit doing that?
Student council president
WHAT!? WHERE!?
N-no, stop!! I told you it was just a little kissing!
Oh my god... were you guys DOING it, too?
I'M WORRIED
YEAH, IT'S NO BIGGY
And don't think I'm going to let you guys get away from it...
BUT YOU CAN HEAR
I MEAN, I'M ACTING AS THE DORM KEEPER FOR YOU.
WELL, THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR. I REALLY DON'T CARE WHAT YOU TWO DO, JUST AS LONG AS IT'S IN THE DORM.

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU SAY IT'S OKAY
chuckle
I STILL FEEL LIKE WE'RE WEIRD
rustle
WELL YOU'RE CERTAINLY NOT YOUR AVERAGE SET OF TWINS THAT'S FOR SURE
BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU, THEN WHAT DOES ANY-THING ELSE MATTER?
'LONG AS YOU'RE COMING TO SCHOOL LIKE GOOD STUDENTS.
YEAH
HM?
SORA?
gasp
WHEN DID YOU ADD ANOTHER PIERCING?
TWO DAYS AGO

DON'T WORRY TAKI
I'M ALL RIGHT
YOU TOO KAI?
NINE LEFT HUH?
YUP

DON'T THINK SO MUCH ABOUT IT
THANKS
BY THE WAY
ANY IDEA WHO THE PEEPING TOM WAS?

WE'RE NOT TELLING IF YOU PLAN ON PUNISHING THEM.
IT WAS PROBABLY RIO, ANYWAY.
RIO!?
You mean, he was at the school?
YES
Well that's wonderful!
THAT MEANS I CAN FINALLY GET THIS WEIGHT OF GUILT OFF MY SHOULDERS
Yes indeed!
Also damn manner
JUST WHAT IS THAT KID UP TO!?
BEATS ME
I JUST DON'T GET HIM.
EVER SINCE HE ENTERED 11TH HE'S LOCKED HIMSELF UP IN THE DORM AND NEVER STEPS OUT!
What's gotten into him?
Huh, but
HE'S STILL NOT SHOWING UP TO CLASS

Like you're ones to talk!
YOU'VE SURE GOT A LOAD OF PROBLEM CHILDREN ON YOUR HANDS, HUH?
ha ha ha!
YEAH BUT THE ONLY ONES I GIVE A RAT'S ASS ABOUT ARE YOU TWO AND RIO!
HA HA. SORRY.
YEAH, WELL SORRY'S NOT GOING TO CUT IT! Sheesh!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE HE WAS DOING UP ON THE SCHOOL ROOF?
First thing in the morning? That's harsh!
Dude, there's a test 1st period!
Good morning!
Mornin'!
Yo!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
IT WAS JUST FOR AN INSTANT BUT
JUST CAN'T FORGET
—THAT LOOK IN RIO EYE'S YESTERDAY
HEY KAI DON'T YOU THINK WE OUGHT TO GIVE IT A REST?
RIO?
RIO YOU IN?
We're coming in!!
KNOCK KNOCK

...HE LOOKED ON THE VERGE TEARS
I'VE SEEN THAT FACE TOO MANY TIMES ALREADY.
YOU THINK I'D JUST FORGET ABOUT IT THAT EASILY?
CLICK
OH... I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
(TALK)
RIO?

RIO, SORRY FOR BARGING IN LIKE THIS
KNOCK
Morning!
WE HADN'T SEEN YOU FOR A WHILE, SO WE THOUGHT WE'D COME CHECK UP ON YOU
IT'S A MESS IN HERE
RIO—? ARE YOU ASLEEP?

WHAT BUSINESS DO YOU HAVE WITH A MURDERER?
the victim's
HUH...?
!?
shudder
WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, RIO?
!
slip

OUCH! GOD DAMN IT!
clang
flick
flick
KAI!!
I'M OKAY. IT'S JUST A SCRATCH
flick
COULD YOU GET ME A HAND-KERCHIEF SORA?
OH!
flick
RIO
I DIDN'T MEAN TO GET BLOOD ON-
!
flick

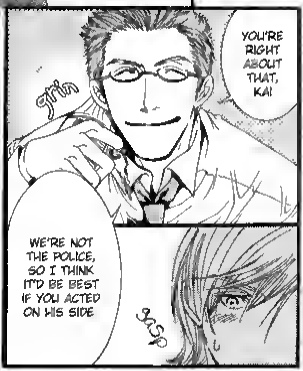
NO.
!?
WHAT THE—?
R-RIO! RIO!!
SO THEN
BEFORE WE KNEW IT HE'D COLLAPSED.

ALL WE COULD W!S PUT HIM TO BED SO THAT HE'D CALM DOWN.
YE..H, AND THE TEACHER CAN BE TOUGH WHEN YOU'RE LATE.
Even though we didn't say why we were late
FIRST PERIOD WAS START-ING
"MUR-DERER", HUH?
DID HE SAY ANY-THING ELSE?
JUST MUM-BLING A LOT BEFORE HE FELL ASLEEP THINGS LIKE "HELP ME"
A LOT OF "HELP ME'S".
AND HE KEPT SAYING "I'M SORRY FORGIVE ME."
I'M WORRIED ABOUT HIM HE LOOKED SO SO FRIGHTENED

WHAT DO YOU THINK, TAKI?
WHAT ELSE CAN I SAY? RIO JUST SAID IT ALL
ARE YOU SAYING RIO MURDERED SOMEONE?
WAIT A MINUTE
WELL YOU KNOW HOW DIRECT HE CAN BE ABOUT THINGS
He's not the type to talk bullshit
IF HE CAN KEEP HIMSELF COOPED UP IN HIS ROOM, THEN HE CAN PROBABLY SNEAK OUT, TOO.
AND THERE WEREN'T MANY PEOPLE AROUND DURING SUMMER BREAK.

BUT THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY MURDER CASES IN THE NEWS AROUND HERE
THERE WOULDN'T BE ANY NEWS IF NO ONE KNEW ABOUT IT.
Hmm...
WE JUST CAN'T—, LEAVE HIM LIKE THIS!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT RIO DID!

WHATEVER IT IS—WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!
WELL, I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW HOW EFFECTIVE YOU'D BE BUT I'M SURE YOU COULD GET A REACTION OUT OF HIM
PUSHIO PUSHIO
HEY, TAKI?


YOU'RE RIGHT ABOUT THAT, KAI
sstm
WE'RE NOT THE POLICE, SO I THINK IT'D BE BEST IF YOU ACTED ON HIS SIDE
gasp

I'M AFRAID THAT AT THIS RATE RIO WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO RECOVER FROM HIS SHOCK
HMM.
HERE
I'VE
GOT A FEELING, YOU TWO ARE THE ONLY ONES THAT KID'LL LISTEN TO
WHAT'S THIS?
OUCH
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU
WELL IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING, YOU'D BETTER TO IT FAST GO TO HIS ROOM TONIGHT
I'LL MAKE SURE TO CLEAR OUT ALL THE OTHER STUDENTS ON THE FLOOR

RIO? YOU AWAKE?
YOU DIDN'T COME DOWN FOR DINNER, SO WE BROUGHT IT UP FOR YOU.
CLACK
GOOD EVEN-ING
RIO, YOU OKAY?
MM
SORRY, WERE YOU SLEEP-ING?
STILL FEELING SICK?
NAH.
I'M ALL RIGHT NOW. THANKS

KAI I'M SORRY...
about your hand
DON'T WORRY IT WAS NOTHING SERIOUS
SO, YOU'VE BEEN DRAWING AGAIN, HUH?
MORE IMPORTANTLY YOU'RE THE ONE WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT, RIO
When you collapsed
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO SCHOOL FOR WEEKS
RIO...
squeeze
THIS MORNING
DID I SAY SOMETHING?
YES, YOU DID.

YOU CALLED YOURSELF A MURDERER
RIO?
IT'S TRUE

I AM... A MURDERER
R-RIO!
I'M... SORRY
-YA
OH, AAYA
RIO?
SHIVER
SHIVER
PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
I DIDN'T KNOW
NOW ELSE TO MAKE IT UP TO HIM
...!
PLEASE FORGIVE ME. . AAYA.
...RIO!

!!

SORA!

DON'T YOU DARE ASK TO BE FORGIVEN

WE DIDN'T COME TO CRITICIZE YOU.
WE JUST WANTED TO DO WHAT WE COULD FOR YOU.
...!!
S-SORA?
RIO, PLEASE TELL US
WHY DID YOU COME TO THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL?
I THOUGHT I COULD DIE... BY JUMPING OFF SOME PLACE HIGH.
JUST LIKE WHAT I DID TO AAY...
I THOUGHT I COULD MAKE IT UP TO HIM BY DOING THAT
BUT I WAS TOO AFRAID... I NEVER MADE IT TO THE TOP.
I-I-I

RIO, DON'T TELL US— YOU'VE BEEN THINKING THIS—
—ALL ALONE
I SHOULD DIE!
IF I DIE...
...THEN AAYA WOULD FORGIVE ME.

KAI AND I MAY HAVE EACH OTHER
BUT YOU HAVE NO ONE ELSE, RIO...
RIO...
WE MIGHT JUST BE DISTRACTING YOU, BUT...
WE JUST WANT TO HELP YOU HOWEVER WE CAN
NO MATTER HOW LITTLE IT MAY BE
sniff
YES... YOU CAN HELP ME
BY KILLING ME...
NO, RIO. THAT'S NOT HOW.

Nn!
Nn!
suck
huff
WE'LL MAKE YOU LIVE AGAIN
Haa!
Ah!
WE DON'T KNOW...
...HOW ELSE TO COMFORT HIM
BECAUSE THIS IS HOW WE'VE SURVIVED ALL THIS TIME...
Haa
huff

KAI ...?
RIO, WE'VE ALSO THOUGHT OF KILLING OURSELVES SOMETIMES
FOR A LONG TIME WE WERE ABUSED BY OUR PARENTS AS CHILDREN
BUT THEN WE VOWED TO PROTECT EACH OTHER, SO WE WENT AGAINST THEM AND EVENTUALLY BEAT THEM
aah!
aah!
EVER SINCE THEN WHENEVER THINGS HAVE BEEN HARD...
...AND WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW ELSE TO KEEP ON LIVING...
...*THIS* IS THE ONLY WAY WE COULD COMFORT EACH OTHER EVEN IF MOST PEOPLE WOULDN'T FORGIVE US FOR IT...

shudder
SORA !
ah!
aaah!
S-STOP!
haa!
ah! S. SO-RA!
NO
I CAN'T
..!!
!!
haa
haa
spurt
!
BUT DEATH WOULDN'T COME TO US.
haa
haa
haa
wipe

SO THAT'S WHY WE THOUGHT OF KILLING OUR-SELVES
THAT'S WHEN WE MET TAKI
"HERE ARE 13 PIERCINGS 13 BEING THE NUMBER OF THE GOD OF DEATH"
"SO UNTIL THEN I GUESS YOUR LIFE WILL LAST A BIT LONGER"
"WHEN YOU'VE USED THEM ALL UP HE WILL COME FOR YOU"
HERE RIO YOU CAN HAVE IT

YOU'RE GIVING ME YOUR RINGS?
YES. AND WHENEVER YOU THINK OF DYING, PUT ONE ON
YOU HAVE NINE LIVES LEFT
UNDER-STAND?
NINE LIVES?
THESE RINGS ARE WHAT ALLOWED US TO LIVE THIS LONG
AND ONCE YOU'VE USED THEM ALL UP. AND YOU STILL THINK OF DYING—
—THEN YOU CAN CALL FOR US
AND WE'LL WALK UP WITH YOU TO THE SCHOOL ROOF TO DIE TOGETHER.
AH!
PUT NOW WE HAVE EACH OTHER.

YOU'RE NOT ALONE, RIO.
YOU HAVE OUR LIVES NOW
...!!
SUPPORT EACH OTHER
I'M SORRY...
ah!
ah!
I'VE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER.
!
IT'S NOT CRAZY
ah!
THIS MUST SOUND CRAZY, BUT...
...I COULDN'T THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE TO GIVE YOU
AS LONG AS WE HAVE EACH OTHER.

WE CAN KEEP LIVING
I SEE. IF HE PROMISED THEN I KNOW HE WON'T BREAK IT
WE THINK HE WON'T TRY TO HURRY THINGS ALONG HE PROMISED US THAT
THEN WHAT?
BUT THAT'S NO REASON WHY IT HAS TO HAPPEN SOON
EVERY-ONE DIES AT SOME TIME
YOU SURE YOU TWO DON'T NEED THEM ANYMORE?
SO YOU REALLY GAVE HIM THE RINGS?

chuckle
You two are closer than I thought
THEN WHY NOT TAKE OFF THE PIERCINGS YOU HAVE NOW?
YOU BET!
YUP
NAH, THEY'RE PROOF THAT WE GAVE OVER OUR LIVES TO RIO.
AS LONG AS WE HAVE EACH OTHER, WE'LL BE FIIIINE
WE WON'T TAKE THEM OFF, FOR RIO'S SAKE
I SEE
NOPE! NOT SO FAST!
HUH? WHY NOT?
Now there's no reason for you to "lick each other's wounds", right?
I've been thinking of moving a bit closer to school
THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO KEEP THE ROOM NEXT TO YOURS. HUH?
THEN I GUESS THAT MEANS

NOW IT'S NOT JUST TO COMFORT EACH OTHER ANYMORE!
WE'LL DO IT NOW FOR THE NAME OF LOVE!
TRUE, BUT—
HEY!
...JUST HOLD IT A MINUTE, GUYS!
N-NOW—
I LOVE YOU, KAI
AND I LOVE YOU SORA
DON'T START GETTIN' IT ON IN MY ROOM!
Do it next door!!
nine lives ♪ END

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My strong love
words
you
feel it through
these fingers!?
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THE SET MENU OF 10KM OF LEG STRENGTH TRAINING AND 200 SERVES IS PRETTY HARD RIGHT?
IORI! YOU'RE WORKING TOO HARD LATELY!
The novices couldn't catch up to the fellow...
IF I DON'T HOLD BACK THEN IT'S HARD FOR YOU AS WELL? TAKI
thanks for your hard work
See you! thanks for your hard work
thanks
rattle
rattle
haha
WELL, THE ITHLETIC MEET IS NEAR, SO YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME TO GET INTO SHAPE RIGHT?
I'm you think a guy...
WELL, FOR ME I CAN STILL DO LEG STRENGTH TRAINING RIGHT NOW
OPEN

YOU'RE AN ALIEN, OREN?! YOU?
AH, THE ART ROOM LIGHTS ARE STILL ON.
TSURUGI... IS HE STILL DRAWING? HE'LL GET SICK IF HE OVERWORKES
night captain.
good night.
yea, good night.
HEY, IORI YOU'RE NOT GOING HOME?
NN?
YEA...
I HAVE TO PICK UP SOMETHING I LEFT BEHIND FIRST.

HE'S HERE
knock
Art room
Tsurugi
scratch
CAN I COME IN?
scratch
scratch
WELL, AS ALWAYS HE NEVER NOTICES
let's just go in
SLIDE OPEN

Hey, what are you drawing?
LEAN OVER
!
EEK!
DID YOU EAT?
TSU-RUGI.
EH?
MOVE AWAY
no re-ac-tion
?
eh?
—HE'S MAD ?
DON'T STAND IN THE FRONT! !ORI!!

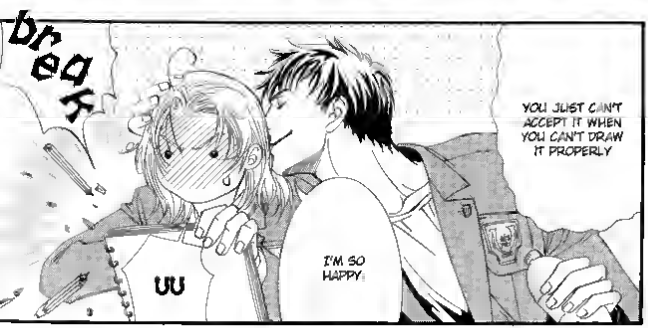
stare
approach slowly
SNEAK AWAY
THAT'S ... ME?
WELL... KIND.
DID I DO SOME-THING ?
sit down
for the time being, let's just sit at the back first.
MOVE AWAY
slow
slow

slow
I WANTED TO DRAW YOU, BUT...
IT'S HARD TO DRAW YOUR FACE

mumble
IT'S LIKE A SILKY TIGHT-ROPE BETWEEN THE STATURE AND STILLNESS OF A JAPANESE CEDAR AND THE FEROCIOUSNESS OF A ROCK PLUS
WHILE INCLINING TO A GOOD MAN LIKE A MONOCYCLE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IT'S LIKE DOING ACROBATICS WALKING ON WIRE.
THIS UNBALANCE IS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT
mumble
mumble
This line is wrong
scratch
scratch
IS THAT A COMPLIMENT?
the things you just said.
smile
poke poke
grow
HEY TSURUGI
IF YOU SAY IT'S SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT, THEN WHY DON'T YOU LOOK WHILE YOU DRAW?
SINCE THE REAL THING IS HERE

IT'S NOT SIGNIFICANT IF I LOOK
!
Huh?
I SHOULD REMEMBER. SINCE I ALWAYS LOOK AT YOU.
IT'S WEIRD IF I CAN'T DRAW IT. MY HANDS SHOULD KNOW
AH GEEZ, THIS LINE IS WRONG TOO. ALTHOUGH I KNOW IT'S WRONG...
chuckles
IN OTHER WORDS

break
You really treasure the me inside your heart right!


break
uu
I'M SO HAPPY.
YOU JUST CAN'T ACCEPT IT WHEN YOU CAN'T DRAW IT PROPERLY

sharpen
sharpen
.....
here

put down
SO HE'S NOT MAD
I'm glad
drink
YOUR HAIR... IS GROWING LONG
NNP
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
back off
ah
EHP
touch
!!

uh aa
UWA?
I
I?
Ah!
Is that s...?
I was trying so hard to control myself ~
collapse
I... looked ...
TSK
shake shake
sigh~
I'M SORRY I THOUGHT YOUR HAIR IS IN THE WAY SO I

...WELL, I WASN'T REALLY ABLE TO DRAW IT RIGHT ANYWAYS...
Sigh
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THE DRAWING IS GOOD... OR SHOULD I SAY IT LOOKS BETTER THAN THE REAL THING?
HAHA... THE ME INSIDE YOUR ...
nn!!?
shock
Idiot
Don't look!!
THIS UNFINISHED PIECE
IT'S NOT WORTH A LOOK!
Ah... my face
tear
tear

AS USUAL, YOU'RE HARD ON YOUR OWN WORK
chuckle
BECAUSE I'VE ALWAYS BEEN WATCHING
CLENCH
IT'S YOU WHO I THINK AND DRAW, AND EVEN DREAM OF EVERYDAY
HUSH

Shine
Shine
Shine
YOU'RE PRETTY STRAIGHT FORWARD SOMETIMES.
mumble
OH YEA
mumble
push
IORI
wah
I REALLY LIKE IT WHEN YOU SPEAK UP BOLDLY...
Oh, it smells good.
TSU-RUGI
mumble
IT'S TRUE THAT WHEN IT'S IN FRONT OF MY EYES, I SHOULDN'T BE SO STUB-BORN
mumble
YEA, WHEN I THOROUGHLY UNDERSTAND THE LINES, I CAN DRAW IT FROM MEMORY CLEARLY NEXT TIME
mumble
YOU SAID YOU WOULD BE MY MODEL RIGHT? IORI

Sit down
DON'T MOVE.
Eh?
HEY...
Okay okay
well
EVEN THOUGH YOU SAID DON'T MOVE... THIS POSITION IS PRETTY PAINFUL...
haha
SHAKE
SHAKE
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU'VE BEEN WORKING OUT EACH DAY RIGHT?
IT'S TRUE THAT I'M CAPABLE OF HOLDING YOU
haa
Don't move your face
THEN IT SHOULDN'T BE PAINFUL
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.

STARE
blush

it is crime inducing.
DON'T MOVE! THE LINES WILL MESS UP.
HEY YOU... DO YOU ALWAYS LOOK AT YOUR MODELS LIKE THIS?!

YOU KNOW
TSU-RUGI
draw
draw

look
WHAT'S MESSING UP ARE NOT THE LINES...
DON'T MOVE.
IN THIS POSITION, WHAT'S MESSING UP IS.
draw
!
It's me.
...ah
YOU FINALLY UNDERSTAND?
think for a bit

Er... ah
WELL
grab
SORRY, I'LL GET OFF RIGHT AWAY
I'M HAPPY THAT YOU BECOME SO FOCUSED BY DRAWING ME –
BUT DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME TO PUT YOUR MIND ON "ME" NOW?
IT'S TOO LATE
touch

NN
I'M NOT WAITING...
WAI..
WAIT...
SINCE I CAME TO PICK YOU UP
LICK
PULL
LILI...
HEY
IORI...
LILI

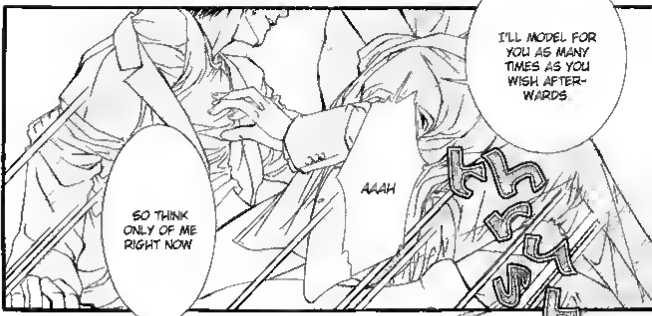
FUU
NN... NN
Ah
ICRI'S... WELL BUILT CHEST...
COLLAR-BONE...
haa
haa

KAB
KAB
SHOULDER WIDTH
MAYBE I SHOULD TRY DOING A SCULPTURE.
I'LL MEMORIZE THE SHAPE WITH MY FINGERS ...
TWO
THE ANGLE OF THE CHIN,

THE BRIDGE OF NOSE
THE THICK-NESS OF THE LIPS...
YOUR FING-ERS
ARE SO GENTLE
lick
touch
stun
NN
...LILI
SUCK
SUCK
SUCK

DON'T PLAY WITH... SOMEONE ELSE'S FINGER.
TSK
I ORI,
SUCK
SUCK
THE ONE WHO PLAYS WITH FINGERS
IS YOU, TSURUGI

I WASN'T PLAYING I WAS SERIOUS
give it back
PULL
your eyes are gentle.
...WELL, I KNOW YOU'RE ARDENTLY OBSERVING BUT


I'LL MODEL FOR YOU AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WISH AFTERWARDS
AAAH
SHUSH
SO THINK ONLY OF ME RIGHT NOW

TODAY IS THE BIG CONFESSION SERVICE DAY?
Well, I'll be happy though
UU
UU
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.
hah
I'VE NEVER... THOUGHT OF ANYTHING... BESIDES YOU

I DIDN'T MEAN DRAWING
AH
AH
TWITCH
TWITCH
TWITCH
I MEAN ONLY "ME"..

Art room
Tuku
IT'S NO GOOD LIKE THIS..
AH~ AH... IT BECAME AN AWFUL FACE
SCULPTING IS HARD!
SHOULD I SAY IT IS STUBBORNESS OR THOROUGHNESS...
THIS IS WRONG!!
PUN
CH

?
WHAT IS THAT?
kuch?
AL-GINATE.
sit down
HEY TSURUGI WHY DON'T WE TAKE A BREAK?
I'm hungry.
RUSTLE
Ah
PLEASE DON'T MOVE
WE'LL MAKE A MOLD AND POUR PLASTER IN
look
It's for molding.
Eh?
yea RIGHT NOW
uwa...
THAT... ON THE FACE... RIGHT NOW?
my body is becoming stiff
I'VE BEEN SITTING HERE FOR 5 HOURS, I NEED TO STRETCH...
ERR, WAIT... HOW ABOUT LATER?
backing out
approach slowly
IT'S EASIER TO SEE SINCE IT'S ALL WHITE, AND IT'S POSSIBLE TO SKETCH AROUND THE CLOCK
I THINK I REALLY SHOULD LEARN THE FEATURES FIRST...
mix
mix
mix

I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE IT HALF WAY
BECAUSE I LIKE YOU... SO I WANT TO DO IT PROPERLY!
.....
.....
.....
Don't move.
...OK
Don't speak.
....
◆◆END◆◆

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Prince Ansu went out to the battle field and reunited with the subjugation general, Sei, which he admired. But he was suddenly pushed down and his body was taken!

While thinking that Sei is unbelievably despaired, Ansu is attracted to Sei, who seriously scolded himself even knowing Ansu's real identity...

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Gifts on Xmas are nice, but sometimes it's on Boxing Day when you get what you really want.

-Nakama

we all fm wish you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
Klara
Rosy Chiweshe
Raspberries
Christina
BrigGer
Lilly
Stella
Jasetto
Cornham-Schmidt
silver

Rasen no Tou
The Spiral Tower

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE GENTLE WITH ME
I'M A MURDERER
I DON'T DESERVE THAT TREAT-MENT
WOW... THAT'S A COME-ON I DON'T HEAR MUCH.
YOU LIKE IT TO BE PAINFUL?

IT'S UP TO YOU, WHETHER TO BELIEVE IT OR NOT.
click
hmm
YOU DON'T SEEM LIKE THE TYPE TO GO INTO A RAGE...
YOU'RE MORE LIKELY TO BE COLD AND CALCULATING
BUT IT DOESN'T QUITE SEEM LIKE YOU HAVE THE GUTS...
PULL
twitch
TO PULL IT OFF
Hn...
uh
smirk
SLIP
NOT WITH THESE SKINNY ARMS
hiss

* Tradesperson - trades as in physical or on-site jobs (construction work etc)
Ah
CERTAINLY NOT A TRADES-PERSON*. YOU SEEM LIKE THE INDOOR TYPE
OFFICE-WORK?
HEHEH. YOU'D STAND OUT TOO MUCH AT THE OFFICE
OH THEN HOW DO I SEEM TO YOU?
SLIP
Ah
Lick
Ha
AN AUTHOR, OR A DE-SIGNER MAY-BE... THE ARTISTIC TYPE
SO? AM I RIGHT?
I'm pretty good at figuring people out
YOU'RE KIND OF RIGHT
Fu~
WHICH? AUTHOR?
DE-SIGNER...
Slick
Slide

DO YOU DESIGN JEWELRY?
SOUNDS COOL
Can I kiss you?
Nnn
kiss
smack
kiss
Fu
uh
Mm
...ARCHITECTURE.
Hah
PULL

I NEVER WOULD'VE GUESSED,
THAT YOU'D BE IN CHARGE OF SUCH HUGE THINGS
UPPER-CLASS CONDOMINIUMS? ART BUILDINGS?
sigh
flick

WOW, THAT'S AMAZ-ING.
YOU DO SEE THEM AROUND A LOT THESE DAYS
twitch
JUST ABOUT

A NEW CONDOMINIUM JUST WENT UP EAST OF THE STATION
FULL
IT'S AMAZ-ING, YOU KNOW
A VERY UNIQUE DESIGN JUST AWE-SOME

I WONDER WHAT IT FEELS LIKE LIVING IN ONE OF THOSE
YANK
CONTINUE WHAT YOU WERE DOING.
I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT ANYTHING.
I'M SORRY.
ALL RIGHT.
HERE GOES
rub
rub
H

slurp
slurp
suck
lick
Hah
ha...
slurp
twitch

...Hah
Fu.
Hah...
pant
Jerk
Ah...
Jerk
Nn!
uh
Jerk
Suck
Suck

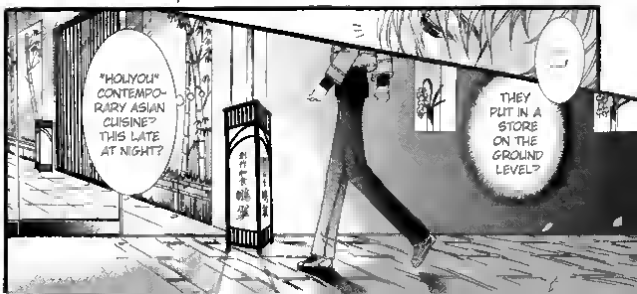
slurp
suck
Nn
ahh
Ahh!
Nnn
slurp
slurp
suck
lick
HEY,
THAT CREEPY THING YOU SAID EARLIER
Pant
Pant
Hah
ha

DO YOU BELIEVE IT?
POUT
OF COURSE NOT.
BUT EVEN IF IT WERE TRUE, SHOULD YOU EVEN BE TELLING ME?
The total Stranger
IT'S PROBABLY A CLOSED CASE BY NOW ANYWAY
IT'S BEEN TOO LONG.
BUT THOSE EYES ARE ENOUGH
FORGET BUSINESS... I'D GIVE YOU COMPLIMENTARY SERVICE ANYTIME
IF YOU WANTED TO PROVOKE ME,
SORRY,
I WOULD'VE PREFERRED SOMETHING ELSE.
YOU LEAVING HERE WITH A LONG FACE IS THE LAST THING I WANT

Still, it doesn't change the
PLEASURE THAT'S BEEN BOUGHT DOESN'T LAST TIL MORNING
IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN EVER FORGET
that I killed someone.
The statute of limitations lasts 15 years.
By law, I'm no longer a criminal.
Ah...
But the truth doesn't change.
The fact that I'm a criminal will never change.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY'D COMMISSION THIS HIGH-RISE CONDO TO SOMEONE LIKE ME
But a crime is still a crime —...
AAYA

Such an ominous design...
Fallen wings..
a dying bird.
A detestable grave
destined to damnation.
A grave for the
person I have killed


"HOLIYOU"
CONTEMPO-
RARY ASIAN
CUISINE?
THIS LATE
AT NIGHT?
THEY
PUT IN A
STORE
ON THE
GROUND
LEVEL?

WELCOME!
REALLY?
YOU JUST PUT UP WELL WITH COLD WEATHER.
Hmm
IT'S ACTUALLY COLD TODAY.
IT'S WARM WHERE I CAME FROM, I ALWAYS NEEDED A COAT.
HOW'S IT FEEL, BEING BACK IN JAPAN, KEI?
CHANK CHANK CHANK
WHOA!
WHEN DOES THIS PLACE CLOSE?
WE'RE OPEN FROM EVENING TO MORNING.
We close at 8o'clock.
A BLONDE-HAIRED BLUE-EYED CHEF IN A JAPANESE RESTAURANT... Weird place.
IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING LIGHT, I CAN ARRANGE FOR THAT
Please have a seat
WE HAVE A MENU, IF YOU LIKE
THEN I'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO SNACK ON
YOU MUST BE... NANASE RIO-SAN?

HUH? THIS GUY...
!
HOW LUCKY OF ME
TO MEET YOU HERE...
OH, I REMEMBER. MY COMMISSIONER, NAGATO
clank
NICE TO MEET YOU
THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAGATO GROUP
NICE MEETING YOU TOO, NANASE-SAN

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I SAID MY DESIGNS WEREN'T MADE FOR LIVING IN
I KNOW I HEARD THIS ONE WAS FORCED THROUGH BY YOU
BECAUSE MY DESIGNS ARE MADE FOR A DYING BIRD —
swig
I LIKE TALL BUILDINGS
THEY'RE AN INDULGENCE OF MINE
I THINK SOMEONE ELSE WOULD HAVE DONE A MUCH BETTER—
BUT I'M A FAN OF YOUR DESIGNS.
THEY'RE, HOW SHOULD I SAY IT... REFINED, WITH A PASSIONATE INNER-FLAME...
IT IMPRESSES JAPANESE STYLE UPON YOU BUT DOESN'T PLAY TO IMPRESS I LOVE THE HIDDEN BEAUTY IN IT
AREN'T YOU EMBARRASSED, TALKING LIKE THAT, NAGATO-SAN?
WELL, I AM A FAN!

I'M THANKFUL FOR THE PERSONAL REQUEST BY THE NAGATO GROUP PRESIDENT HIMSELF, AND I KNOW IT'S NO USE SAYING THIS NOW...
YOUR DESIGN WAS FEATURED IN AN ENGLISH MAGAZINE.
BUT MY DESIGNS AREN'T MEANT FOR CONDOMINIUMS
BECAUSE I WANTED SO MUCH FOR YOU TO DESIGN SOMETHING LIKE THAT FOR ME.
AND AS SOON AS I SAW IT, I PHONED BACK TO JAPAN
IT'S SOMETHING YOU DREW OUT FOR ME WITH CONFIDENCE. THERE'S NO WAY IT CAN BE UNSUITABLE.
I'M JUST SAYING IT'S NOT SUITED...
IF I DIDN'T HAVE PRIDE IN THEM, I WOULDN'T HAVE SUBMITTED.
YOU DON'T LIKE THEM?
Hmph...

GOOD POINT, BUT BUSINESS IS ALSO IMPORTANT.
SO IT'S A CONDO AND AN OFFICE TOWER
THEN WHY A HIGH-RISE?
I DESIGNATED THE TOP FLOOR OF THIS BUILDING FOR MYSELF.
I WANTED TO LIVE IN SOMETHING YOU DESIGNED.
thud
I'D LIKE THE BILL PLEASE
NANASE-SAN
I'VE HEARD THAT YOU HAVE NEVER EVEN TAKEN A LOOK INSIDE
BUT TURNING THE ROOF INTO AN OBSERVATORY WAS MORE FOR MY TASTE, THAN FOR BENEFIT.
clatter

LET'S TAKE A TOUR TOGETHER.
Everything is fresh... newly made!
UM, UP-STAIRS...?
thump
turn
thump
I'M SORRY, I CAN'T
I CAN'T STAND HIGH PLACES...
LET'S GET GOING
I'VE BEEN WAITING SO LONG FOR THIS
KEI
I'M SORRY, NAGATO-SAN
I...
IS IT NOT YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO OVERSEE THE RESULTS OF YOUR WORK?
COME
gulp

WHEN I SAW THIS, I KNEW I HAD TO ASK YOU ABOUT IT.
OH YES, THIS.
IT'S A BEAUTIFUL BUILDING
WINGS
STRANDS OF WHEAT
WAVES
THIS DESIGN HAS BEEN JUDGED MANY TIMES BUT INTERPRETATIONS ARE ALL OVER THE PLACE
REALLY
I DON'T EXPLAIN EVERY LITTLE ASPECT OF MY DESIGNS
WELCOME BACK, NAGATO-SAMA
I HAVE TO GO NOW
I'm sorry
NAGATO-SAN
IT'S POPULAR
AND IS QUITE GOOD WITH THE CUSTOMERS

WEL-COME NANASE-SAMA
HE SAYS HE'D LIKE TO TAKE A TOUR WITH ME
...!
THE DESIGNER OF THIS BUILDING, NANASE RIO-SAN
AND THIS PERSON MUST BE ?

Concierge

YOU WERE CURIOUS, WEREN'T YOU?
THAT'S WHY YOU CAME INTO THE RES-TAURANT
NA-GATO-SAN ..!
GASHA

beep
!!
THE ROOF?!
The door is closing.
SURELY THERE ARE OTHER PLACES TO SEE AS WELL?
SEEING THE ENTRANCE IS HARDLY A TOUR.

SHUDDER
YOU CAN SEE OUTSIDE FROM THERE...
...!
I DON'T WANT ... TO GO UP...!
GO UP TO THE ROOF ALONE
R
throb throb
HAH...
—.
throb
throb
squeeze
I KNOW YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT
Vapp Pop Pmm
12
LET
LET ME OFF...
I'M SORRY, BUT...

I'M NOT... ALL RIGHT...
I CAN'T.
I REALLY CAN'T.
PLEASE...
trembling
throb
throb
shake
shaking
dims
Observatory.
sweep
shake
AHH...
JUST AS I THOUGHT IT'S BEAUTIFUL
throb

throb
EXCELLENT VIEW JUST AS PROMISED
I'M REALLY GLAD I HAD THEM MAKE AN OBSERVATORY
throb
click
click
click
throb
SUCH A BEAUTIFUL NIGHTSCAPE
click
click
throb
TAKE A LOOK RIO
COME ON
throb
An important existence.

throb
tremble
I... Aaya...
tremble
throb
I pushed him off!
throb
...!
No
shake
shake
throb

SUCH A NICE WIND...
EVEN THOUGH IT'S SUCH A CLUTTERED CITYSCAPE...
NO...
MAYBE THAT'S WHY THE WIND HERE IS SO MUCH MORE INVIGORATING.
SHAKE
SHAKE
NO
A crime is still a crime.
tremble
N...

I'M SO SOR-RY.
SOMEONE HELP ME.
No matter how many graves I build, I'll never be forgiven.
I'M SORRY
AAYA.
AAYA.
I'M SO SORRY!
IS THE REASON YOU FEAR HIGH PLACES
BECAUSE IT BRINGS BACK MEMORIES OF PUSHING YOUR CHILDHOOD FRIEND OFF A BUILDING?
!!

THE PERSON YOU PUSHED DOWN
WAS AYATSUJI KEIICHIROU... RIGHT?

thrb

Why...
flash
WHILE PLAYING WITH YOU, HE FELL FROM THE ROOF OF HIS HOUSE.
AND SINCE THEN... YOU BEGAN TO FEAR HIGH PLACES.
flash
does he know...
AM I RIGHT?
WH
NA, NAGATO-SAN.
WHAT ARE YOU?

—…
MY SIN…7
…!
YOU BOTH LIKED THE SKY, THE NIGHT-SCAPE
TOGETHER, YOU COULD CONQUER ANY HIGH PERCH.
EVEN ON THAT DAY
WAIT!
THERE'S NO NEED TO RUN AWAY.
…!

YOU HAVEN'T KILLED ANYONE.
17 YEARS AGO THAT DAY— NOT A SINGLE DEATH OF A CHILD BY FALLING HAS BEEN RECORDED
WHAT ARE YOU THERE WAS A FUNERAL AT AAYA'S PLACE!
THAT WAS FOR HIS FATHER
THERE'S NO WAY— SOMETHING AS CONVENIENT AS THAT—!

IT
IT COULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED...
AAYA...
THERE WAS SO MUCH BLOOD...
trembling
trembling
Aaya was covered in blood... and wasn't moving!
HE MOST DEFINITELY ENTERED THE HOSPITAL WITH CRITICAL WOUNDS
BUT YOU STOPPED COMING TO SCHOOL FROM THAT DAY, AND EVEN MOVED AWAY AFTERWARDS, SO THE MISUNDERSTANDING WAS NEVER SOLVED.
AS LONG AS YOU DIDN'T CONFESS, NO ONE WOULD HAVE NOTICED EITHER.—— HE'S STILL ALIVE.
NAGATO-SAN... WHY DO YOU KNOW...
——THERE'S NO WAY I COULD BELIEVE...

BELIEVE ME, RIO IT'S FROM THE MAN HIMSELF.
I'M AAYA
SIRE, MY LAST NAME IS DIFFERENT NOW AND I'VE BECOME TALLER THAN YOU, BUT
Y...
YOU ARE LYING...
I DON'T BELIEVE...
trembl

HEY, RIO.
YOU SAID YOU DON'T EXPLAIN YOUR DESIGNS TO ANYONE, RIGHT?
I KNEW WHAT IT WAS RIGHT OFF THE BAT
IT'S A 'KINGFISHER.'

WHAT...?
THIS CONDO'S DESIGN SIGNIFIES "WINGS."
AND EVERY BUILDING YOU DESIGN HAS ONE COMMON THEME... THE 'KINGFISHER.'
WHY...
tremble
AND ITS ORIGINAL SOURCE...
DOES HE KNOW...?

IS FROM 17 YEARS AGO — THE DAY I FELL
MY DRAWING OF THE 'KINGFISHER'

AAH.
A.
AAYA—?
REALLY—?
ARE YOU REALLY AAYA—?
I CAME BACK HERE YESTERDAY.
IT HAD BEEN SO MANY YEARS—
I WANTED TO SEE THE BUILDING YOU DESIGNED SO MUCH THAT I CAME STRAIGHT HERE FROM THE AIRPORT—
AND I SAW YOU THERE.
I THOUGHT I WAS DREAMING

chuckle
GOOD
!
OH
YOU'VE STOPPED SHAKING CAN YOU LOOK OUTSIDE NOW WITHOUT FEELING AFRAID?
THEN, FROM THIS OBSERVATORY YOU BUILT FOR ME,
WE CAN FINALLY WATCH THE NIGHTSCAPE TOGETHER.
A...
AAYA. .!

YOUR EYES ARE STILL RED..
NOT VERY COOL
chuckle
YE...H..
ARE YOU ALRIGHT? CALMED DOWN A BIT?
nod
gulp
BUT THIS ROOM STILL SUITS AAYA WELL
I BUILT THIS PLACE WITH THE HORRIBLE FEELING OF WANDERING CONSTANTLY IN THE SAME NIGHTMARE
I DID NOT...
Pour
Pour
Pour

AAYA WAS THE ONLY ONE I THOUGHT OF WHILE MAKING THIS SO...
I DIDN'T THINK THIS DAY WOULD COME...
THAT AAYA, YOU'D...
SMILE
"KEIICHIROU."
No more! Away from my mother forever!
THAT KE-KEIICHIROU YOU'D LIVE HERE...
I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE ABOUT PUSHING YOU OFF THE...
I'M STILL HERE.
grip
KE-KEIICHI-ROU,
THANK YOU... FOR BEING ALIVE

THIS MAN IN FRONT OF ME
IS REALLY...
AAYA...
I LOOKED FOR YOU, RIO
SEEING YOU THE MOMENT I GOT BACK HERE
WAS LIKE THE BEST GIFT IN THE WORLD
THIS IS AAYA.
RIIIO, "KEIICHI-ROU!"
YOU'VE CHANGED, KEIICHI-ROU...
blink
You're like a foreigner.
kiss
*Note foreigner refers to European people who greet each other with a kiss on the cheek or lips depending on country

flinch
STILL
BEAUTIFUL
YOU NEVER CHANGE, RIO
EVER SINCE YOU WERE SMALL
sush
!
N
NO
kiss
KE
KEI-ICHI-ROU ?!
shove
AAYA!
WH
WHY
WHY DO YOU ...?
NO
LET ME G...
WH
thud

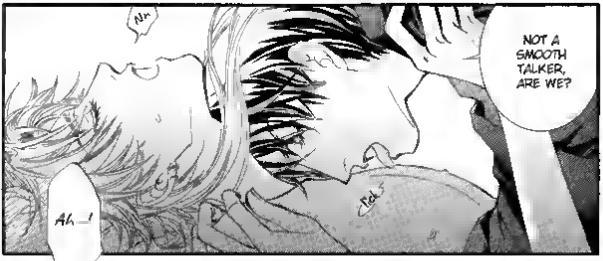
WE'RE
YES, CHILDHOOD FRIENDS
AND I'M ALSO YOUR COMMIS-SIONER
AND A FAN OF YOURS
BUT THAT WASN'T ENOUGH
I COULDN'T FORGET YOU. I PINED FOR YOU AND SEARCHED AND WHEN I FINALLY KNEW OF YOUR WHEREABOUTS
YOU CAME EVEN IN MY DREAMS

NO...
I'M NOT THAT...
I'M NOT BEAUTIFUL ENOUGH TO BE DREAMED BY YOU
YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL, RIO
NO I'M NOT...!!
RIO...
EVEN TO-NIGHT,
JUST NOW,
I WAS HAVING THE WORST NIGHT EV-
THE MARKS ARE... PROBABLY STILL THERE.

I'VE FINALLY MET YOU AGAIN
IF I LET YOU GO HOME LIKE THAT, HOW WOULD I KNOW THAT EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED TONIGHT WAS REAL?

I DON'T WANT IT TO END AS A DREAM.
AH.
RIO—
RIGHT?
—YEAH.
I DON'T—
WANT IT TO END AS A DREAM, EITHER.

Shuck
Still saying those things.
How we ended up doing this...
Ack
It's still ...kind of embarrassing


Nn
Ah...!
Not a smooth talker, are we?

I—
I CAN'T CHANGE THAT QUICKLY, YOU KNOW!
AHH!
REALLY... YOUR STUBBORNESS HASN'T CHANGED EITHER.
chuckle
YOU CAN'T JUST SAY TH—
slash
Steer
steer

IS THIS... A SCAR?
FROM WHEN YOU FELL...
...?
SLIDE
Slath
Ah...
Tight
Ah
Scrap
Slath
NEVER MIND IT, RIO
Ah...
Ah...
I KIND OF LIKE THEM
BECAUSE THEY'RE SHAPED LIKE WINGS
Scrap
Slap

LET ME G...
KEI...!
Nn-
THEY'RE VERY COOL-LOOKING.
I'll show you later.
PUSH
PUSH
RIO?
I'LL DO THE REST...
...KEI-ICHIROU.
I'LL
DO THE...
PUSH

LIE DOWN HERE
slide
creak
creak
H n
N...
ARE YOU OKAY?
I'M FINE
D- DOES IT HURT?
NO
Nn
Mm...
D-
DOES IT FEEL... GOOD?
Pant
KE- ICHIRO
Uhn!
thrust thrust
thrust

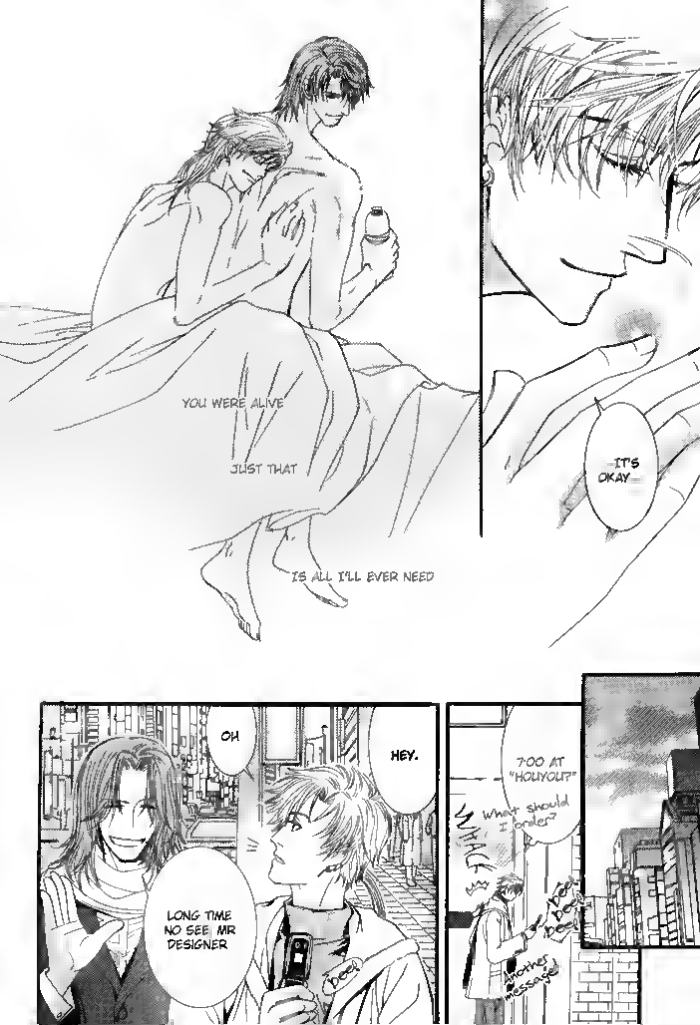
Hmn
Slide
REALLY GOOD
Ah KE-
KEI-ICHI-RO!!
Ahh!
PULL
Suh
I WANT YOU TO FEEL GOOD WITH ME
BUT RIO,
Ha ah
Ahh!
Ah
Ahn
I can't stop it.
This voice I've held in for so long.
KEI ICH
RO
Uhh n!

Ahh!
RIO —!
Ah—!
Hah
Ahhn —!
And the reason I'm sensitive to his every touch
must be because of Aaya, not anyone else———
Ah
Ah!
Because I'm happy.
So...
so happy...
creak
creak
"ISN'T IT SO COOL?!
HE'S MY FA-VOURITE BIRD!"
"IT'S A KING-FISHER!"
"LOOK LOOK RIIIO!"

POW
"AAYA, HIS WING'S KIND OF TWISTED
IS HE DOING THE AWA-ODORI?"
"NO HE'S FLAPPING!
"DO THEY?"
"I'LL SHOW YOU THE ARTICLE ON IT LATER."
YOU KNOW WHEN THEY CATCH FISH THEY DO THE SUDDEN TURNING THING?"
"kingfishers."
climb
climb
climb
climb
"BUT HE STILL LOOKS LIKE HE HAS A BROKEN BONE OR SOMETHING."
"IT'S NOT BROKEN LIKE I SAID."
"KIND OF LIKE THIS FLAP!"
"I'M ALRIGHT! I'LL DO IT AGAIN, SO WATCH CAREFULLY
THEY DO IT LIKE THIS—"
"AAYA!! CAREFUL!"
xeos

"AAYA!!"
"WAH "
Oh yeah...
That was.. just an accident
sea of blood.. I was scared, so scared...
AN ACCI-DENT
But I still remembered the kingfisher Aaya had drawn.
KEIICHI-ROU
WANT SOME RIO?
thump
OH
Awake

THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE YOUR GRAVE, AAYA.
I WOULDN'T HAVE DESIGNED IT LIKE THIS...
IF I'D FOUND OUT THE TRUTH SOONER
RIO...
touch
I DIDN'T REALIZE HOW MUCH YOU WERE BROODING OVER IT WHEN I FIRST COMMISSIONED YOU.
I'M SORRY, RIO
I MADE YOU SUFFER FOR SO MANY YEARS
pam!
!


YOU WERE ALIVE
JUST THAT
IS ALL I'LL EVER NEED
IT'S OKAY
OH
HEY.
LONG TIME NO SEE, MR DESIGNER
DOOT
7:00 AT "HOLIYOU?"
What should I order?
VIBRATE
VIBRATE
Mother's message

I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T HAVE APPROACHED YOU IN PUBLIC, BUT
YOU FREE TONIGHT?
YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY
I'll give you a freebie
YOU'RE SMILING
CHUCKLE
I DON'T DO THAT ANYMORE
SORRY
HM?
Mumble
PEOPLE CHANGE WHEN THEY LEARN TO SMILE DON'T THEY...
Oh,
WHAT, FOUND YOURSELF A LOVER?
OH... NO...
WH...
blush
haha ha
SO YOU DID, HUH.
Guess you don't need me anymore.
NOW
ARE YOU TRULY HAPPY?

YEAH.
I'M HAPPY.
I'M HERE ALREADY WHERE ARE YOU?
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Gifts on Xmas are nice, but sometimes it's on Boxing Day when you get what you really want.

-Nakama

we all fm wish you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
Klara
Rosy Chiweshe
Raspberries
Christina
BrigGer
Lilly
Stella
Jasetto
Cornham-Schmidt
silver

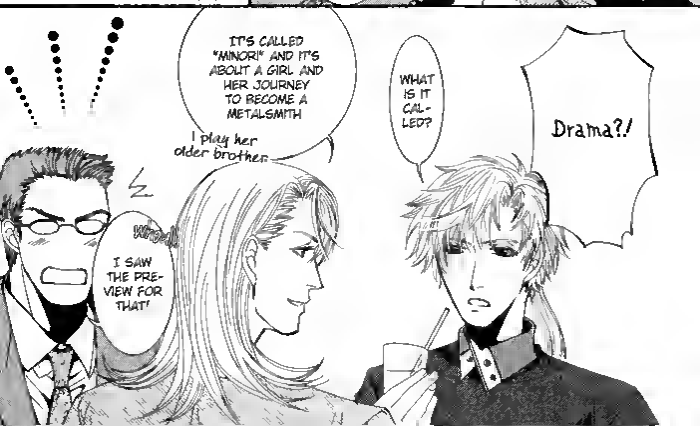
I DIDN'T KNOW FLATFISH WAS THIS GOOD.
I DIDN'T LIKE FISH BEFORE, BUT THAT WAS DELICIOUS
EVERYTHING YOU RECOMMEND IS REALLY GOOD
grind
grind
THEY SAY FRESH IS BEST FOR FISH, BUT FLATFISH ACTUALLY TASTES SWEETER ONE OR TWO DAYS AFTER THEY'RE CAUGHT
THEY ARE IN SEASON, TOO
YOU SHOULD TRY ALL KINDS OF FOOD AND GROW BIG AND TALL!
YOU'RE STILL A GROWING BOY RICKIN!
I'M 27
OH?
WHAT A SHAME THAT YOU HAVE FOODS THAT YOU DON'T LIKE!
grind
grind
okay?

...I DON'T MIND...
AAYA'S THE ONE THAT DOESN'T LOOK HIS AGE
panic
Oh yes! Of course!
Same age as me
Huh?!
THEY SAY JAPANESE PEOPLE LOOK YOUNGER THAN THEIR AGE
Not your fault.
PEOPLE NEVER THINK I'M YOUNGER THAN MY AGE THOUGH
I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT SO
Oh yeah
ED-SAN, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRIVATE ROOMS OPEN FOR THE 21ST AT 7?
FOUR PEOPLE, INCLUDING ME
THEY'RE OLD FRIENDS OF MINE. SO A CASUAL DINNER WOULD BE NICE
From high school
A RE-UNION?
HOW MANY PEOPLE? WHAT STYLE OF CUISINE?
NEXT SATURDAY? SURE

YEAH, UM... JUST TO WRAP THINGS UP
SO, TO OUR LONG-AWAITED REUNION.
cheers!!
Ten years!
WOW, IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE THE FOUR OF US GOT TOGETHER LIKE THIS
Feather Ring

WHAT'VE YOU GUYS BEEN UP TO?
SORA'S GOTTEN INTO ACTING.
Cool, huh?
NEVER WOULD'VE THOUGHT
I'VE BEEN IN THEATRE FOR SEVEN YEARS NOW
THE LEADER THERE GOT ME A PART IN A MORNING DRAMA*.
Ha ha
Embarrassed
ohhhm!

*drama | soap opera


IT'S CALLED "MINORI" AND IT'S ABOUT A GIRL AND HER JOURNEY TO BECOME A METALSMITH
I play her older brother.
WHAT IS IT CALLED?
Drama?!
Whoa
I SAW THE PREVIEW FOR THAT!

chuckle
YEAH, THANKS
I'll definitely watch it! I'll give you a review of it later!
YOU GUYS WORK TOGETHER?
SAME PLACE AS RIO
ME? I'M A SALES EXECUTIVE AT A DESIGN COMPANY
AND YOU, KAI?
Looking slick there
Ohhh
YEAH! THE COMPANY'S CALLED <SKY EDGE>.
I'm just a designer though
YOU GUYS ALL HAVE GLAMOUROUS JOBS
Ahh...
HOW ABOUT YOU, TAKI?

*Corporate Fighter - 'kigyou senshi', a pun on 'kidou senshi' - Mobile Suit (ref. Gundam)

you guys haven't changed at all!
Stop calling me an old man! I'm not worry about it!
WELL, COME ON...
BUT YOU KNOW
You've always been an OLD MAN!

YOU TOOK CARE OF PEOPLE LIKE ME... WITH THE CHILDISH PROBLEMS.
THAT'S WHY EVERYONE TREATS YOU LIKE YOU'RE OLDER, TAK!
YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE. IT WAS HARD TO BELIEVE WE WERE THE SAME AGE.
You even react like an old man!
Wow!
YOU'VE GROWN INTO A MAN OF WISE WORDS, RIO!
You make me proud!

REAL-
LY.
sigh
THEY DIDN'T CHANGE A BIT, BUT YOU HAVE.
YOU'RE SMILING!
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'VE FINALLY SOFTENED UP.
good
YEAH

?
SURE
Oh yeah
RIO, WANNA BRING IT OUT?
I INVITED YOU TODAY, TAKI,
BECAUSE I WANTED TO RETURN SOMETHING
OH! Seen that before!
AAYA... WAS ALIVE
!!
I'M HAPPY NOW.
SO I THINK I'M OKAY WITHOUT THIS

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING,
TAKI
Hahaha
Daddy raised you well!!
you guys are the best!!
you...
T-Taki, don't cry!
Old man.
IT'S PERFECTLY NORMAL TO CRY AT SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
THEN
AFTERWARDS WAS JUST A REALLY NOISY BLUR...

YOU KNOW HOW GOOD ED-SAN'S FOOD AND DRINKS ARE
BEFORE WE KNEW IT WE WERE DRUNK OUT OF OUR MINDS
WE HAD TO GET FUTONS IN THE ROOM AND SLEEP IT OFF OVER-NIGHT.
LOOKS LIKE YOU HAD FUN, RIO.
Good.
YEP.
...AND IT MADE ME HAPPY.
TAKI WAS ALWAYS WORRYING ABOUT ME...

AND NOW HE FINALLY WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ANYMORE
...RIO
bump
I'M HAPPY RIGHT NOW
ALL BE-CAUSE
IT'S THANKS TO YOU

YOU'RE THERE FOR ME, AAYA—

"KEIICHI-ROU" RIO
CHICK'S
OH YEAH.
SORRY

YOU TOOK YOUR PIERCINGS OUT
YUP.
I can see the holes
I DON'T NEED THEM ANYMORE
I gave them up.

RIO LET'S GO ON A TRIP
To France
YOU HAVE YOUR PASS-PORT, RIGHT?
WH-
WHAT ARE YOU SO SUDDEN
Huh
Chuckle
Don't worry, I'll be there
I WANT TO GO HAVE EARRINGS MADE THAT WOULD LOOK GOOD RIGHT HERE
Ah, don't tease
Mm.
NOT AS A PRICE FOR LIFE. BUT AS A SYMBOL OF YOUR HAPPINESS
IN CELE-BRATION OF US BEING ABLE TO MEET AGAIN,
LET'S GET MATCHING ONES

Of course!
I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING
MATCHING? SO YOU'RE GONNA GET PIERCED?
Heehee
IT'S PRETTY SCARY, YOU KNOW
Can you take it?
I ACTUALLY CAN'T WAIT TO GET IT
Haha
ONLY SOMETHING YOU WOULD SAY, AAYA
I MEAN KEIICHIROU.
THEN IT HAS TO BE A COLOUR THAT MATCHES YOU TOO
HOW ABOUT BLUE?
SURE! LET THEM MAKE SOMETHING THAT YOU DESIGN

MY DESIGNS ARE ALWAYS ONLY YOURS, AAYA!
SURE. I'LL DESIGN ANYTHING FOR YOU

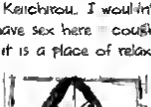
「The Spiral Tower」 Architecture Mini-101

Things that appeared or didn't appear in the story with little blurbs along the way

⑩ OBSERVATORY

- The full view of the glass-paneled observatory that acrophobic Rio was forced to design by the evil Kaiichirou.
- 2 elevators at the back.
- 'Kingfisher' designs everywhere. (Getting desperate, Rio?)
- That Kaiichirou. I wouldn't be surprised if he wanted to have sex here ~cough cough~

No no, it is a place of relaxation for the two!♪



A wooden kingfisher-themed decoration.

Light fixture. Lights up here?

On the pillars to

Silver

Lacquered

This is the light fixture in Kaiichirou's room. Yes Rio designs even the smallest things!

⑪ HAYASE RIO

- A very indoor type boy he was very shy and didn't even want friends. But despite that, people paid attention to him and treated him like a little brother, so during his college years he's friend even sort him to be a model... or should I say dress up doll?
- He doesn't like forcing his own opinions so having Kaiichirou making most decisions for him is a relief.
- He is talkative in his head though. (laughs)

LOBBY DESIGNED BY RIO

CONCIERGE

- He looks after most aspects of maintenance. He's actually a twin but despite similar appearances their personalities, likes and dislikes (laugh) are complete opposites. An intelligent duo who along with their maintenance jobs dabble in stocks and such. Prosecutor Takaaki and lawyer Hijiri also live here.

NAGATO KEICHIROU (AAYA)

- Intelligent a tad conceited and recklessly fearless.
- Back in grade 4 wanting to look cool to his beloved Rio he did "THE THING" that started it all. (Can you really say he's intelligent?)
- Thanks to that, he had a long-term stay in the hospital with serious injuries. During this time, his father passed away from illness and his mother remarried. So the young Keichirou became the future inheritor of the Nagato Group, and after transferring to Europe as a student, he became the chairman of the England branch of the Nagato Group. His love for Japanese sweets probably emerged around this time.
- Alpining is still a hobby of his

Partner in crime number 1?
Keichirou in his transfer student years.
Ed
Was running a Japanese restaurant in England but got force-scouted by Keichirou, who fell in love with his cooking, to become head chef of "Houyou" aka. Keichirou's personal private chef. A gentleman of upbringing but drastically changes when it comes to soccer.

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